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SINCE TUNISIA'S NATIONAL DAY IS JUNE 1 (ANNIVERSARY OF BOURGUIBA'S RETURN TO TUNIS FROM PRISON TO IMPLEMENT INTERNAL AUTONOMY ACCORD WITH FRENCH), WE NORMALLY SEND PRESIDENTIAL CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE ON THAT DAY AND NOT MARCH 20 (INDEPENDENCE DAY). THIS YEAR, HOWEVER, GOT'S SPECIAL CELEBRATION OF TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE PROMPTS US TO SUGGEST THAT AN APPROPRIATE MESSAGE BE SENT TO PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA FROM PRESIDENT FORD TO MARK THE OCCASION. THIS MESSAGE COULD BE PRESENTED BY U.S. DELEGATION PARTICIPATING IN CELEBRATION OR SEPARATELY BY EMBASSY.

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